## Agenda Item: 12-27 Request for Adoption of Proposed Changes to Rulemaking Petition Rules Codified in 15A NCAC 2I .0501

## **Explanation:**

On July 14, 2011, the Environmental Management Commission authorized the Division of Water Quality to proceed to public notice with proposed rule changes to Rulemaking Petition Requirements codified in *15A NCAC 02I*, Form and Contents of Petition. The proposed revisions amend 2I .0501 (a) to require a copy of the petition to be submitted in an electronic or digital format and amend 2I .0501(c) to delete the requirement to submit 20 paper copies when the petition exceeds ten pages.

The proposed rule was noticed in the May 1, 2012, North Carolina Register, and a 60-day public comment period began on May 1 and ended on July 2, 2012. No comments were received.

On July 12, 2012, the Office of State Budget and Management certified that the agency adhered to the principles in G.S. 150B-19.1 and Executive Order #70.

## **Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Environmental Management Commission adopt proposed revisions to 15A NCAC 02I .0501 (a) and (c).